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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR HOSPITALIZATION FOR SRA. MARIA DEL CARMEN
REECE HOLQUIN DE CABRERA WIFE OF GENERAL DE BRIGADA
TELMO RAUL CABRERA SEVILLA

1. EMBASSY IS IN RECEIPT OF REQUEST FROM DIVISION GENERAL (R)
MARCO ALMEIDA JATIVA, MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE REQUESTING
HOSPITALIZATION OF THE WIFE OF GENERAL TELMO RAUL CABRERA
SEVILLA, ECUADOREAN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

2. DIAGNOSIS IS AS FOLLOWS IN FORM OF STATEMENT FROM ATTENDING
PHYSICIAN: "I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE TAKEN CARE OF, FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR, IN THE MILITARY HOSPITAL OF THE ARMED FORCES,
MRS. CARMELA REECE DE CABRERA, OF ACUTE PANCREATITIS, A
SERIOUS ILLNESS THAT ORDINARILY LEAVES SEQUELLAE. FOLLOWING
TREATMENT OF SEVERAL DAYS, THE PATIENT RECUPERATED SATISFACTORILY. ALTHOUGH, LATER THE PATIENT HAD EPISODES OF
PANCREATITIS WHICH I TREATED AND SHE HAD TO BE HOSPITALIZED
FOR SHORT PERIODS. THE PANCREATIC ILLNESS IS ALWAY DIFFICULT
TO TREAT, BECAUSE OF METHODS OF INVESTIGATION IN THIS COUNTRY.
WE BELIEVE THAT THE PATIENT WILL CONTINUE TO PRESENT THIS
TYPE OF ALTERATIONS SPORADICALLY, WHICH WE ARE NOT ABLE TO
ARRIVE AT THE TRUE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM."

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3. GEN. CABRERA HOLDS A CABINET POSITION WITHIN THE

ECUADOREAN GOVERNMENT AND HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE EMBASSY AND USAID ON MATTERS WITHIN HIS JURISDICTION. HE HAS ALSO INDICATED A DESIRE TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON SHOULD HOSPITALIZATION OF HIS WIFE BE APPROVED. THIS WILL BE MATTER OF SEPARATE TELEGRAM.

4. EMBASSY HOLDS LETTER FROM MIN. OF DEFENSE OF ECUADOR GUARANTEEING ALL COSTS INVOLVED WITH HOSPITALIZATION AND TRAVEL. SRA. CABRERA HAS REQUESTED WALTER REED SINCE SHE WAS PREVIOUSLY TREATED BY A DR. VELABAL, A MEMBER OF THE STAFF.

5. COPIES OF REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE AND GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT FOLLOW BY POUCH.

6. EMBASSY SUPPORTS THIS HOSPITALIZATION REQUEST AND, IF WALTER REED NOT POSSIBLE, RECOMMEND THAT SUITABLE ALTERNATE FACILITY, WITH APPROPRIATE SPECIALIZATION, BE OFFERED FOR MRS. CABRERA, IF POSSIBLE IN D.C. AREA. SHE IS AVAILABLE TO TRAVEL UPON RECEIPT OF APPROVAL.

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